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REQUEST FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME (FOUR MONTHS) UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)

Dear Sirs:

Applicants hereby request a four-month extension of time for responding to the Notice To Comply With Requirements For Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence And/.Or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures dated April 24, 1998, and remailed on June 1, 1998 (copy attached). The Patent and Trademark office is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 05-1135 for the requisite fee of \$775.00 for a small entity, for an extension for response within the fourth month as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(d). As applicant did not receive the April 24, 1998 notice, and as the

10/29/1998 SLUNDtice Was Perfaile 明明 1, 1998, applicant construes that a response to the Notice requiring compliance with sequence rules under 37 C.F.R. §§ I.821-I.825 was due July 1, 1998, extensible to December 1, 1998, with the filing of an extension request accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR §I.136(a). Accordingly, as this extension request is being accompanied by the appropriate extension fee and is being filed in the United States Patent and Trademark office prior to December 1, 1998, this request for an extension of time and authorization for charging applicants attorneys' Deposit Account for the requisite extension fee accompanying the response to the notice to comply with sequence rules (and its accompanying papers) is being timely filed.

> No other fee is believed due in connection with this extension request EXPRESS MAIL CERTIFICATE other fee or fees are due, however, authorization is hereby made to charge the amount E436656

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of any such other fee(s) to Deposit Account No. 05-1135 or to charge any overpayment thereto. A duplicate copy of this Request is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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